GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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Protection of Tribal Culture
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government to protect Tribal Culture and Heritage across the country;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any study to identify the vulnerable cultural groups in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) the funds allocated by the Government in this regard during the last two years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM
AND
MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) To protect, preserve and promote various forms of folk art and traditional culture including Tribal Culture and Heritage throughout the country, Ministry of Culture operates a number of schemes and conducts various activities on regular basis through its several organizations including seven Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) with headquarters at Patiala, Nagpur, Udaipur, Allahabad, Kolkata, Dimapur and Thanjavur.

The ZCCs and other institutions under Ministry of Culture take various measures to protect these art forms by implementing a number of programmes/ schemes, inter-alia, Award to Young Talented Artistes, Guru Shishya Parampara Scheme, Theatre Rejuvenation Scheme, Research & Documentation Scheme, Shilpgram Scheme, Octave and J&K Festivals and National Cultural Exchange Programme (NCEP).

(b) No, Madam.

(c) & (d) Does not arise.